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SUBJECT: Update on PKK Violence (November 8-15, 2008)

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[1](#)1. (SBU) This is another in a series of weekly reports on PKK violence in Turkey. Our primary source is the Turkish General Staff (TGS) website, which documents contacts and clashes with the PKK, as well as casualties incurred.

[1](#)2. (U) During the November 8-15, 2008 reporting period, no security official was killed but three were injured in clashes in Yuksekova, Hakkari Province, on November 9. The total number of security force casualties for the year through November 15, 2008, was 137 killed and 234 injured.

[1](#)3. (U) During the same period, no PKK terrorist was killed but one was captured in Van on November 10 and an additional 12 PKK terrorists surrendered. According to official TGS website figures, through the second week of November, the number of PKK militants killed this year was 644, the number of those captured was 145, and the number of those who surrendered was 150.

[1](#)4. (U) During the reporting period no civilian was killed but one was injured in a landmine explosion in Lice, Diyarbakir Province, on November 15. The total number of civilian casualties for the year through the end of the second week of November was 45 killed, with another 248 wounded.

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